HAPPINESS IS 4-H

By Frank H. Sweet
Extension Agent

Nearly 50 persons rode in the Bike-A-Thon for the American Cancer Society on October 15. We were real proud of the riders, all of whom made the entire 10-mile ride. Riders should collect their pledged money as soon as possible and turn it in at one of the following locations: 1. Farmers National Bank (downtown) to Mrs. Mary Alma Hudson, 2. Fidelity American Branch Bank to Mrs. June Chenault, 3. Travelers Inn Motel to Mrs. Janet Noble or 4. at the Appomattox Extension Office.American Cancer Society Workers noted that if all pledged money was collected, the the ride would raise over $2,000 for the fight against cancer.

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The James River Kennel Clubs will present a program on showing and judging dogs for 4-H members on Saturday, November 4, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Brookville Middle School. All 4-H'ers with an interest in dogs and their parents are invited to attend. The program will last until early afternoon and will include details about dog shows, selecting a dog to show, training and grooming for a show , etc. Make plans to attend if you're interested. (Brookville Middle School is ocated behind Brookville High School.)

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4-H Share-The-Fun is coming up in the very near future. This enjoyable 4-H activity features all kinds of youth talent.The County Share-The Fun program will be November 30 at ACHS.

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4-H'ers interested in a Soils Judging Program should let our office know as soon as possible. An introductory meeting was held for soils judging on Wednesday, October 25. 4-Her's in this program will learn to identify basic soil properties and learn to evaluate soils as to their best use. Mr. Bob McCleney, Soil Conservationist, will be helping coach the soils team.

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4-H Projects will be judged over the next two weeks and recommendations made for county medal winners. If you still have projects to turn in, please do so as soon as possible.

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4-H'ers of the week: All those members who rode in the American Cancer Society's Bike-A-Thon.

Luann Crain and Prizewinner "Dooley"

Luann Crain and her Shetland Sheep Dog "Dooley" took second place in the Working Dog Class at the State 4-H Dog Show in Richmond at the State Fair on September 22. Luann has shown "Dooley" in the County 4-H Dog Show for the past three years. This year she won first place and trophy for Senior Showmanship, First Place and Trophy for Senior Grooming and second place in Working Dogs. IN 1977 she won fifth place in Junior Grooming, fifth in Costume, second in Junior Showman ship, First Place in Trophy in Working Dogs, and the Best in Show Trophy. At the State Fair in 1977 she won third in Working Dogs and fifth in Gymkana Class. In 1976 at the County Show she won second place in Junior Grooming, second in Junior Sportsmanship and first place and Trophy for working dogs.

Luann is a freshman at Appomattox County High School and has been in 4-H since the fourth grade.

Jr. F.H.A. Fashion Show

The Junior Chapter of F.H.A. met October 19, 1978, at the Appomattox Middle School. The program was a "Fashion Show". Jackie, Evans, manager of The Clothesville, sponsored the clothes for the fashion show. The models were all F.H.A. members. From left to right they were Michelle Seay, Donna Abernathy, Norma Morgan, Valeria Garrett, Eileen O'Doughnell, Terri Hamlett, Teresa Bass, and Kim Drinkard. The boys modeling were, from left to right, Randy Marshall, Steven Foster, Dennis Fleshman, and Bobby Stanley.

The meeting was adjourned by Karen Doss, President.

Renee Wells, FHA Reporter

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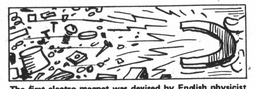

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Father Darkleaf

BY
CALVIN ROBINSON

For weeks on end we have had nothing but words of praise for the weather man. Delightful fall days, Indian Summer, and some nights we were able to see a few stars. And the changing of the clock provided no excuse for not getting up early. The Weather Man will not be on the ballot in the election Nov. 7, but he merits a vote.

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With Hallowe'en behind us, there are other special days ahead. Nov. 4 is Will Rogers Day in Oklahama. Nov. 17 is Sadie Hawkins Day. Thanksgiving is on Nov. 23 this year. Ah yes, there are so many special occasions and heroes to remember, and most everyone loves a holiday and/or a parade, Appomattox had its share of distinguished citizens to remember. It would be nice to have an All-Appomattox Day.

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It is understandable if you are groggy from top exposure to football. So many great teams this year, including the Raiders of ACHS. The Old Dominion's Big Five has had better years, but who could ask for a better game than the one at Farmville Saturday, with Hampden-Sydney gaining a 18-12 win over Emory and Henry in the last seconds. Alas, Slippery Rock lost. ACHS has Amherst around the corner. With baseball behind us for the year, football is giving us a good show.

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The common cold has been around a long time. It will soon be time for its reapperance. Personally, I do not think the common cold is as prevalent as it used to be. There are "shots" and assorted remedies available. With the above in mind, I looked up the word "handkerchief." Defined as "a kerchief for wiping the nose or face." So I looked up "kerchief". Ah, my friends is "a square, as of linen or silk, used as a covering for head or neck or handkerchief." Maybe so, who am I to say. Indeed, the red bandana was usually worn around the neck. But, linen or silk? Time was, yes. But silks are for magicians. paper tissues grace milady's handbag. No more tiny linen kerchiefs, with tatting (spelling?) border. With a dash of perfume. In ye olden days, men had a folded handkerchief in the breast coat pocket. Some men still do, but mostly in the right hip pocket. In still earlier times, men had a silk kerchief up their coat sleeve, at the cuff. Maybe we are licking the common cold, for one does not need so large an inventory of handkerchiefs nowadays. Last time we went to the laundrymat, I could find but four handkerchiefs. Used to have dozens. And a large box on the dresser to hold'em. proper people held a handkerchief over the nose when they sneezed. Getting ready for winter involved more than building up the woodpile. It meant a supply of handkerchiefs.

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As for leaves, they are pilling up. Around town, I see that a lot of raking has been done. To burn or not to burn, that is the question. And when? Check with the burning law first.

Thanks for reading and seeya next week.

REACT CLUB TO MEET SUNDAY

The Central Virginia React C. B. Club will meet at Farmers National Bank, Triangle Plaza Shopping Center on Sunday, November 5, at 2:30 p.m.

You are invited to come by and learn more about the React. Meetings are held every first Sunday in the month.

Raiderettes Capture Seminole Volleyball Title

By Billy Conner

The Raiderettes of A.C.H.S. came up with three victories in tournament play to win the 1978 Seminole District Volleyball Championship defeating previously unbeaten Liberty in the final game in the A.C.H.S. gym.

The Appomattox girls finished the regular season in second place after losing several close matches near the end of the schedule. Liberty High School, finishing the season in first place, was awarded the seasonal trophy.

In tournament action Appomattox defeated Altavista straight games Tuesday night 15-9 and 15-6. Vanessa Smith scored eleven service points and Johnna Belter had seven to lead the Raiderettes.

In the semi-finals Wednesday night, Appomattox was paired against the Gretna Hens who were up after knocking of Amherst in an upset the night before. The Raiderettes started cold losing the first game 7-15 before coming back strong to take the next two games 15-8 and 14-7. Vanessa Smith again had eleven points but in this game she was topped by Susan Godsey's twelve markers.

This set the stage for the showdown contest between the Raiderettes and Liberty. Appomattox took the first game 15-12, Liberty won the second 13-8 but the final exciting game belonged to the Raiderettes as they overwhelmed the Minute girls 15-4 to put the icing on an excellent season under Coach Lucy Harris. Annette Carter (12) Vanessa Smith (11) and Susan Godsey (10) accounted for most of the scoring.

In addition to the four girls mentioned, Susan Handy and Kim Hipps also contributed much to the successful Raiderettes season, as did Jill Walton, Lisa Moore, Pam Guill, Robin Martin, Angie Ferguson, Karen Johnson, Terri Robinson, Rhonda Jaggers and Angie Murry.

The tourned started with eight teams, Liberty, Appomattox, Amherst, Rustburg, Grenta, Altavista, Jefferson Forest and Wm. Campbell. Amherst, Altavista, Jefferson Forest and Wm. Campbell were eliminated in the first round of play and Rustburg and Gretna bit the dust in the semi-finals.

The A.C.H.S. Athletic Department, who hosted the tournament, had much praise for the fans who came out to cheer for their team.

Appomattox Farm Bureau Held Annual Meeting

The Appomattox County Farm Bureau held its annual fall meeting on Saturday night, October 28, with 191 in attendance. Following a dinner, the president, James H. Rosser, presided over the meeting. New officers for the year 1979 are as follows: president, Marvin Glover, Jr.; vice-president, John Hix; Board of Directors: Edwin Anderson, Glenn Martin, Jr., Dennis Torrence, W. Archer Webb, Carter Martin, Harold B. Jones, R. Clark Lewis, W. Richard Krantz, and W. E. Bondurant, Jr.

Delegates to the State Convention in Norfolk on Nov. 28, 29 and 30 are mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glover, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. John Hix, with alternates being Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Anderson. Miss Lynn Glover will represent our county in the Miss Virginia Farm Bureau Contest.

The Resolutions Committee chairman, Earl Pickett, gave a report of resolutions to be sent to the State Convention for approval.

Mr. Ben Wilkinson, South-side District Field Service Director, showed the film, "Growing For You". Mr. Watte Flippo, Southside Representative to State Board of Directors, gave a brief talk about his work in Farm Bureau.

The Women's Committee sponsored several contests. Winngrs in the pumpkin pie category were: 1st- Margaret Moon, 2nd - Janet Goin, and 3rd - Glenice Walton. Winners in the apple pie category were: 1st - Margaret Moon, 2nd - Lorene Lucado, and 3rd - Glenice Walton. Winners in the crewel embroidery were: 1st and 2nd place - Betty Ford, and 3rd - Geraldine Marshall.

RADAR SET UP IN TOWN OF APPOMATTOX

The Town Office would like to notify all citizens that radar is being set-up in the Town of Appomattox and persons exceeding the posted speed limits in the corporate limits of the town will be prosecuted.

The use of radar has come about due to numerous complaints from citizens regarding the speeding problems in the town.

THE APPOMATTOX LIONS CLUB observed Charter Night on October 26 with a dinner meeting at the Appomattox County High School cafeteria. Dinner was catered by the John Mosby Inn Restaurant.

Shown above are Lions Club President, James Beaty, Jr. with guest speaker, Dr. Charles H. Gibboney and charter members, Dr. Clyde G. O'Brien and Watkins M. Abbitt. As part of the program special recognition was given charter members who have been active in the Appomattox Lions Club for thirty-nine years.

Parents Encouraged To Visit Schools On November 3

Students will not attend school on Friday, November 3. During the morning teachers will participate in inservice workshops. From 1 - 5 p.m. parents are invited to visit the schools.

This date is provided in the school calendar to give parents an opportunity to meet the teachers of their children, to learn more about the instructional program of the school and to discuss specific concerns.

Parents and the schools have a joint responsibility in the educational development of students. A cooperative working relationship between the home and school enables each institution to be more effective in giving guidance and instruction to youth.

The school system of Appomattox County is fortunate to have the support, cooperation and assistance of parents. The Appomattox County School Board and school personnel desire to continue and to strengthen the effective working relationship with parents. Therefore, you are encouraged to become involved in every aspect of the educational program of your children.

School personnel will anticipate meeting and talking with you on Friday, November 3. Feel free to visit the school or schools between the hours of 1 and 5 p.m.

Football Contest Winners Announced

Winners in the Football Contest sponsored weekly by area merchants have been announced by the Times Virginian for the contest in the October 26th edition of this newspaper.

With a "Penn-Yale" tie, the possible correct predictions would have been 22 games for this contest. Mrs. Connie Marshall of Box 836, Appomattox, correctly picked 19 of the possible 22 games and is first place winner. She will receive a check in the amount of $10.00 as first place prize from the Times Virginian.

In second place, Doug Marshall of Route 4, Appomattox; Billy Thompson, Box 423, Appomattox; and Nelwyn Morris of Route 2, Appomattox all picked 18 of the possible 22 games correctly. Both Doug Marshall and Billy Thompson picked both of the "tie-breakers" correctly. In order to pick the winner, we went to the actual score of the Appomattox - Buckingham game, 48 - 0. Doug Marshall, with a 43 point difference in favor of Appomattox, as opposed to Billy Thompson with a 41 point difference, is winner of second place in the contest. Doug Marshall will receive a check in the amount of $5.00 as his prize for second place winner.

Be sure and enter the contest in this edition of the Times Virginian. You just may be the winner next week.

JAMERSON, NAMED CHAIRMAN APPOMATTOX COUNTY BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

The Appomattox County Bicentennial Commission met on Tuesday, October 24th. at 2 p.m. in the office of the county clerk.

The Commission, which will serve until the year 1983, the official end of the Bicentennial period, elected a new chairman to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of R. B. Carter.

Carter, having served with the commission for over three years submitted his resignation due to increased responsibilities in both his profession and his church work.

Bloodmobile — November 14

I'm sure you have on your calendar a reminder to come out and donate a unit of your blood on November 14th but in case you forgot, please mark your calendars now.

The Bloodmobile will be in Appomattox on Tuesday, November 14, 1978, and will set up at Liberty Baptist Church from noon until 6 p.m.

We had some 100% donor families at the last visit and we want you to know some of them - the Ned Nash family, the Bob Hippert family and the Johnny Harris family. If there are others please let me know.

A word to all our generous volunteers - remember that when you and I give our time at the Bloodmobile visits we do so for those who need blood and not for the Red Cross or their workers. After all, **BLOOD IS LIFE!**

See you November 14th at the Bloodmobile, Alice C. Martin, Blood Services Chairman.

General Election Set For Tuesday, November 7th

4622 Registered County Voters

A large turn-out is expected in Appomattox County Tuesday, November 7, when registered voters will go to the polls to voice their opinions on four issues in the up-coming eleciton.

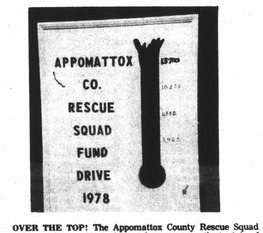
First on the ballot will be the names of Andrew P. Miller and John W. Warner, candidates for the United States Senate. You vote for the candidate of your choice.

Second on the ballot, with no opposition, will be the name of W. C. "Dan" Daniel, House of Representatives, Fifth Congressional District. Your vote will be a vote of confidence in our representative from the Fifth Congressional District.

Next, you will vote either "yes" or "no" on a proposed constitutional amendment regarding tax exemption for property repairs. The last, but a very important issue, will be your "yes" or "no" vote on the authorization to legalize parimutuel betting in the Commonwalth of Virginia of Virginia.

The polls will open at 6 a.m. Tuesday and close at 7 p.m. The ten precincts in Appomattox County are Agee, Chap, Chestwood, Clover Hill, Courthouse, Oakville, Pamplin, Rocks, Stonewall, and Walker's Church.

Your vote will be important in this election. Make every effort to get out and cast your vote November 7.



OVER THE TOP! The Appomattox County Rescue Squad Fund Drive for 1978, set at $13,700, has gone over the top! As of Monday of this week, a total of $14,663.43 had been contributed to the Appomattox County Rescue Squad, more than doubling the goal set for this fund drive. Each member of this volunteer organization deeply appreciates your contributions that will enable them to continue to render the fine service they try to give the citizens of this county.

Historical Society Meets At Appomattox Historical Park

Through the courtesy of Luis Garcia-Curbelo, superintendent of Appomattox Court House National Historical Park, the Appomattox County Historical Society will meet at the park on Sunday, November 12, 1978 at 5:15 p.m.

Members will park in the regular parking area. The meeting which will be held in the court house will be presented by Ronald G. Wilson, National Park Historian and member of the Historical Society. After a presentation of the new slide program, Appomattox Court House, Mr. Wilson will focus a discussion on some facets of the historical development of Appomattox Court House since 1865.

Mr. Wilson, supervisory park ranger, a native of Marietta, Ohio, a graduate of Mmu University, Oxford, Ohio was a history teacher in Berea, Ohio for three (3) years. In 1965 he joined the National Park Service, Gettsburg, Pennsylvania, as a seasonal park ranger. For three (3) years he

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School Board To Meet November 7

The Appomattox County School Board will meet in regular session in the Board Room in Appomattox on Tuesday, November 7, 1978, at 7 p.m.

Items on the agenda will include discussion of six-year plans in Vocational Education, Special Education, and School Division; report on drug education forum held on October 17 and plans for other activities in the schools on drug education; review of Title I activities; review of proposed guidelines for assessing student conduct and attendance; and attendance report for October.

Lt. Foster Will Speak At Lions Meeting Tonight

The Appomattox Lions Club will meet tonight, November 2, 1978, (note change in date of meeting) at 6:45 p.m. at John Mosby Inn Restaurant.

Lt. Herb Foster, Educational Lieutenant for the Piedmont District of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, will present a program on hunting safety.

A film on the White Tail Deer will be presented.

All members will want to be present for this interesting program.

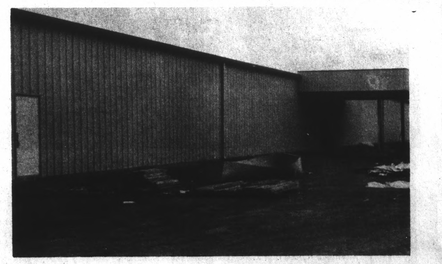
The Lions Club will meet on the first and third Thursdays in November and December to avoid conflict with Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

The Great American "Smoke Out" Set For November 16

The Appomattox County Unit of the American Cancer Society has announced that they will sponsor the "Great American Smoke Out" on November 16 by urging smokers to take a day off from smoking.

If you are willing to participate and sign a pledge card not to smoke that day stop by the office of the at Appomattox County High School, Travelers Inn Motel or a Fidelity American Bank and pick up a pledge card.

Miss Claudia Gordon, Chairman of the "Great American Smoke Out", reminds each smoker that smoking causes lung cancer, emphysema and chronic bronchitis and that it kills an estimated 300,000 people in the United States each year. She urges each of you smokers to sign up and take part in the "Day Off From Smoking" on November 16.



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A. J. SKATEWORLD, located on Route 24, nears completion. The 100 foot by 225 foot building that will house the new A.J. SKATEWORLD- in Appomattox, owned and operated by Mrs. Fred Jones, should be completed and ready for opening by December 1, 1978. The modern building will have small rings for beginner skaters and large rings for advanced skaters. With modern maple flooring, it should be just right for your roller skating enjoyment. A. J. SKATEWORLD will be taking club memberships and will begin taking orders for skates by December 1st or you will be able to rent skates if you prefer.

"Skateworld" should be an asset to Appomattox and will give our young people and adults a nice place to go for an evening out.